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PUC TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETINGS ON AREA CODE OVERLAY FOR 310 REGION

SAN FRANCISCO, April 5, 2005 - The California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will hold public meetings to obtain community feedback regarding implementation of an area code overlay for the 310 region in place of an area code split.

- **El Segundo: Tues., April 26, 2005, 10 a.m.**
Local Jurisdiction Meeting
El Segundo Council Chambers
350 Main St., El Segundo
- **El Segundo: Tues., April 26, 2005, 2 p.m.**
El Segundo Council Chambers
350 Main St., El Segundo
- **Redondo Beach: Tues., April 26, 2005, 6:30 p.m.**
Redondo Beach Council Chambers
415 Diamond St., Redondo Beach
- **Malibu: Wed., April 27, 2005, 10 a.m.**
Malibu Council Chambers
23815 Stuart Ranch Rd., Malibu
- **Culver City: Wed., April 27, 2005, 7 p.m.**
Culver City Senior Center, Assembly Rm. B47, Veterans Memorial Complex
4117 Overland Ave., Culver City

Cingular, Nextel, SBC, Sprint, T-Mobile, Verizon, and Verizon Wireless have filed a joint petition with the Commission to modify Commission Decision 00-09-073, which authorizes the North American Numbering Plan Administration to split the 310 area code when the Commission determines that an area code change is necessary due to number exhaust. The joint carriers request

that the Commission modify its decision and adopt a triggered overlay for the 310 area code instead of a split. The companies propose that the overlay triggers when only six prefixes remain in the 310 area code. Currently eight prefixes remain.

If an overlay plan is adopted, consumers in the 310 area code would need to dial “1” and then the 10 digits of the telephone number to make a local call. An overlay plan, however, would allow all business and residential consumers to retain their existing telephone numbers.

If special arrangements are needed, such as sign language or foreign language interpreters, please contact the PUC Public Advisor’s Office at 415-703-2074 or toll free 1-866-849-8390 or TTY 415-703-5282 or 1-866-836-7825, or by e-mail at public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov at least three days in advance of the event.

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